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fl. c. 592 B.C.

Scythian inventor credited with developing the first ship's anchor. Though the Scythians had settlements along the Black Sea, they are not typically regarded as a seafaring people. Nor was their civilization particularly advanced in comparison to those of their neighbors in Greece and Asia Minor, and these facts make Anarcharis's achievement all the more remarkable.